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EDITORIAL

Exams are driving to a close and the nagging question on everyone's lips is what Gospya is organising for up and coming holidays. WELL! our little Gospyian critters:- this summer is going to be outrageous in the raging sense. The unbelievable will be believable and the unthought will be thought. The incredible will happen. Picture this:- YOU, dancing, wind in your hair, people around you, sweating, a glimpse of gold reflecting in your hands as you are glorified for achievements only achieved by Greek warriors. The Protos will be there. Our Greek Globe-Trotters will be there, and our Soccerroos will be there. Rub shoulders with the best. This is just at taste of what's installed for Gospya's Summer 91-92.

Quite a few letters have been received by Gospya especially a few concerning TRIVIA NIGHT MANIA. Here's just one:-

Dear Ed,

I'd like some information on the TRIVIA KING Kon Penklis. Please give me a fan mail address. When will we be seeing him next.

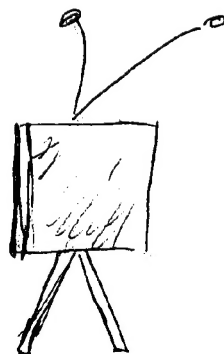
signed

Desperately seeking the KING
Tune in to next Trivia Night 6th December. You can also write to the Kon Penklis fan mail: PO BOX 477 Mt Gravatt.
Here is another letter not so serious.

Dear Editor,

In a desperate attempt to lose weight I have reduced my calorie count to 2800 a day. I'm also vaccuuming an extra 10 minutes a day and actually getting out of the sofa to change a channel on my T.V.. I'm 145cm tall and have reduced my weight from 98kgs to 95kgs over the past 6 months. My mates say that gym is the way to tone those flabby muscles. How can I control my intake.

signed Pixie Annopoulos' Brother



Try our GOSPYAN GREEK DIET to accomodate your Mum's cooking.

BREAKFAST:

Tourkish coffee, paximadia, feta and olive oil.

LUNCH:

Spinach pie, fasolada with a side plate of melitzanes

DINNER:

Stuffed tomatoes, pastitso, tzatziki (for good measure) and ample bread, followed by baklava.

SUPPER:

(Meaning munchies through the night)- Sardines on jatz and a few olives.

So follow this diet and don't forget your daily intake of 'sortho'. Our next letter is serious one.

Dear Ed,

It came to my attention recently that the Southside Parish Church would be having a church serviced in English. Please enlighten us on the situation.

Confused Gospyan

After meeting with Fr Sotiri at the last committee meeting he did explain that while Fr Constantine is away he is unable to change the programme of Sunday Church Services. However, he is using English through the Church service. Father will be attending the next fellowship night-worth checking out.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Everyone!

At the moment GOSPYA has been busy planning for our December events which will send all the exam blues away!

On Friday, December 6 we are having our Christmas Trivia Night. These nights are very popular with many teams becoming absorbed in the competition. Once again the organisers have some great prizes for our Trivia Kings and Queens, including- a group music voucher, movie passes and other goodies. So come along and be set to have an exciting night!

The good times for that weekend are certainly not over yet. On Sunday, December 8, we are planning a Summer and Sport Boat Cruise and Trophy night. As well as taking this opportunity to commend our sporting heroes and heroines, we will also enjoy the summer breezes and views from the Miramar for our Christmas Party. Imagine watching the sunset from the depths of a cruiser along the river. The admission price is \$10 per person which includes some light savouries. The boarding time is at 6pm sharp and there are also a set number of places on the boat - so please book early!

Then, on Sunday, December 15 sees the first of the Christmas time combined youth functions. A Pool Toga Party has been set to be held at Queensland Uni pools starting from 4-30 pm to 10-30 pm. There will be drinks and hot dogs available on the night. So come along to get ready for the summer months.

In keeping with the Christmas spirit, Fellowship is planning to go carolling to numerous homes on Xmas eve. We will be meeting at the GOSP Hall at 6 pm before we travel to many southside homes. So please come along for a different, but fun way to spend Christmas eve.

The fifth event however, for our Xmas calendar is the infamous combined youth fancy dress taverna night on December 26 but further details will be given in the Xmas edition of GOSPYAN news !

For those of you who are studying at this time, good luck and I hope to see you over the Festive Season.

Bye for now,

Patra.

POSTPONED TILL JAN

GOSPYA

SUMMER & SPORT

BOAT CRUISE & TROPHY NIGHT

THE BOAT IS CALLED "MIRIMAR"

(SITUATED AT QUEENS WHARF ROAD, NORTH QUAY)

Date: Sunday, 8 December

Time: 6.00pm-10.30pm

Cost: \$10/ticket

Limited Seats = Must Book!

For Bookings, please contact:

Patra - 398 5398

Sophia - 877 8691 (w)

Jenny - 343 1948

Peter - 345 7425

**** PLEASE REMEMBER, BOARDING TIME IS AT 6:00 p.m. SHARP ****

Here we go again!!!

GOSP YA

TRIVIA NIGHT

Friday, December 6

Cost: \$5/person

7.30pm

GOSP Hall

**Get a group of
4 to 6 people
together and have
a GREAT time!!!!**

FELLOWSHIP REPORT

Hi everybody!

Fellowship nights have been going quite well. At our last fellowship meeting, we had Father Litras talk to us about some aspects of our faith. The talk was very well presented and quite interesting. I hope more people will attend the next fellowship meeting on Friday, November 22 at 7-30 pm. All those present at the last meeting, which was followed by board games, had a good time and subsequently we are all looking forward to the next fellowship meeting. The activity planned for after fellowship is bowling at the Mt. Gravatt lanes so we look forward to seeing you there. We also have another TRIVIA NIGHT planned on Friday, December 6 at 7-30 pm. Get together a few friends and come along as these functions always prove to be quite successful.

Leah and Afroula.

UPCOMING DATES

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22: LAST FELLOWSHIP MEETING, FOLLOWED
BY BOWLING.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6: TRIVIA NIGHT.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24: KALANTA- MEET AT GOSP HALL AT 6pm.

The continuing Adventures of...

KOSTA KEFTEDA

"Aaarrgh!" was the closest you could probably get to a description of what was going through Thanassis' brain that fateful Saturday morning. If it were possible, fire alarms, big clanging bells, sirens and incredibly bright red flashing lights would be going off all over the place. Kosta did not like being awakened.

There were a few things Thanassis Baklavadopoulos Jr did not like doing, and one of them was being woken up. In the past, before his retirement from being Kosta Kefteda (The greatest Gospyan Superhero who ever lived - we all know there are hundreds of average Gospyan Superheroes), Thanassis used to sleep with a semiautomatic intercontinental ballistic .590 "Freedom Grabber" Melindzana hurler beside his bed, to deal with really nasty villains who dared to wake him before midday on weekends. It is fortunate that Thanassi did not use this weapon for this or any other purpose - it is certain that it would be misinterpreted by the USSR as an attack and an all-out nuclear exchange could result. Indeed, Thanassis was forced to relinquish this weapon with recent revisions in various strategic arms limitations treaties.

The very worst part about waking up before you were meant to was trying to orient yourself. Thanassis was at the moment trying to make out shapes. There was something bright coming from the far end from what he assumed was a window. The Sun. It must be daytime. Right.

Something red. A small red flashing light. His clock radio. He just couldn't make sense of the figures. He would get back to that later.

Something round and pink with black stuff on top of it hanging above him. A face. It moved. It must be alive. A person. Thanassi struggled to regain vision. Shapes swam around, merged, then swam some more. Thanassi battled to bring them together again. The shapes did. The face appeared.

OH NO!

Thanassis Baklavadopoulos Jr had been in retirement for the last two years. He was once known as Kosta Kefteda (The greatest Gospyan superhero who ever lived), and his adventures had featured in stories, comic strips, and a major motion picture, including a television series spin-off, which was currently being shown in syndication in 105

countries around the world. His 1965 Purple Valiant with chrome mags, seven exhaust pipes, twin chrome moly head bangers, fuzzy komboloia and imitation EXA Pulsar striping was now permanently displayed at the Museum of Modern Greek Leventides in Athens, right next to a flinzani which once belonged to Demis Roussos.

Despite this glory, fame and incredible richness, Thanassi had managed to survive the continuing onslaught of money-grabbers, groupies and hopeful nifies and was happy to spend his retirement slowly sipping Greek coffee at the Kafenio, playing the occasional Tavli and doing little else apart from listening to old Stelio Kazantzidi records and watching Star Trek reruns.

And then this face appeared. It was the face belonging to a GOSPYA Committee member. Thanassi had seen her face before, but he was not quite sure of her name. She was grinning at Thanassi with a smile only a mother could love, and which Thanassi wanted to punch, so he did.

Thanassi Baklavadopoulos put on his most sinister expression and responded to the situation using a very abrupt voice.

"What do you want?"

"Awfully sorry to disturb you, being retired and all, but this is a real emergency. We are having trouble writing an editorial.", said the still unidentified face.

"Why don't you just tell them what's been happening in the GOSPYA world the past month -- you know, congratulate people and give your readers useful information...", replied Thanassi, seeing this as the obvious approach.

"Oh, yeah." said the voice.

Thirty seconds later, Thanassis Baklavadopoulos (Actually Kosta Kefteda in retirement -- once the Greatest Gospyan Superhero who ever lived) was sound asleep again, being stirred only once or twice by the sound of a GOSPYA committee member with some moussaka stuffed down her throat and tied up with some makaroni rope.

SOCIAL REPORT

by Sophia

Well things have been quiet lately I know but with exams nearing a close things are happening. The most spoken and upcoming event is of course our awards night. Our editorial has written about it and also our sports report so as you can see this is an exciting time for all our teams. Again for this boat cruise, tickets must be pre-booked and pre-paid. You can contact anyone of our committee for tickets so hurry to avoid missing out. Our advertisement has all the details so make sure you read up on this event.

As I said things are hotting up and what better way to cool off than at our Combined Youth Toga Pool Party. The cost is only \$6.00 which includes admission to the pool, food, a great night and beer and softdrinks will be available. The pool will be open to us at 4.30pm and will be finished 10.30pm sharp as requested by the Queensland University. Lots of fun is guaranteed to be had by all as the committee has a few plans installed during the night.

The most popular event of the year would have to be our Fancy Dress Combined Youth disco. Admission is \$6.00 fancy dress and \$9.00 non-fancy dress so we would like to see more of you in disguise this year. The prizes for this years winners are worthwhile taking the time out to fancy dress. The overall winner being the most unique and original will win a CD walkman to the value of \$200.00. The best male and female will each ~~xxx~~ receive a walkman valued at \$100.00 each, and the best group consisting of 2 or more people will receive \$150.00 cash in hand (tax free). So throw some ideas around and get your friends together and see who you can fool!

G O S P Y A N

N E W S

- * Our sincere congratulations and best wishes are extended to John Stamatiou and Stephanie Kallos for their forthcoming engagement.
- * Happy 21st birthday to Martin Drakos.
- * Best wishes for your 21st birthday, John Vaitsas.
- * Congratulations to Angela Feros for her 21st Birthday.
- * Happy 21st Birthday to our GOSPYA treasurer, John Stavrou, and our Social chairperson, Sophia Hadgis.
- * Congratulations Kon Panagopolous and Philia on their marriage on the 8th of December.



T.R A V E L

The trek through Italy is quite an experience. Firstly, you encounter many beautiful valleys, mountains, and villages scattered through the hills. Secondly, the spectacular construction of roads and tunnels cut through mountains for kilometres on end creating the illusion of travelling in a straight line.

Illusions are also created in Italy's capital, Rome, as the old and the new are evident. The Vatican is probably the highlight of visiting Rome. Entering St. Peter's square, the illusion is given that St. Peter's Basilica is very distant, however later when you are exiting the Basilica, the Square seems small and insignificant. There are 284 columns standing on two semicircular concrete slabs, embracing the Basilica with 142 statues of saints standing above these columns. The most amazing aspect of St. Peter's Square is the fact it can hold 300,000 people.

St. Peter's Basilica was constructed over the period of 120 years and was consecrated in 1626. Therefore, most major architects of the Renaissance contributed to its designing including Bramante who was the first and followed by Michelangelo (who at the time was 71). Michelangelo planned the church in the form of a Greek cross and built the altar directly above the grave of St. Peter.

The most magnificent sculpture of the whole church would have to be The Pieta (The Pity) by Michelangelo the only sculpture he ever signed. Sadly in the 1970's a madman entered the Basilica concealing an axe. He then approached The Pieta and proceeded to destroy the masterpiece. It took restorers 3 years to reconstruct The Pieta almost the length of time it took Michelangelo to sculpt it. This is why the masterpiece is now kept behind a security glass window.

The overall aspect of St. Peter's Basilica is one of beauty and wonderment. Hours can be spent marvelling at the marble sculptures, spectacular altar, beautiful mosaics, such as like paintings, frescos, golden statues and mummified St. Peter's. It is so overpowering, lacking in splendour however, St. Peter's Basilica is St. Peter.

NETBALL REPORT

by Sophia

Our new season is going very well for GOSPYA. We are at the top of our grade at the moment and looks to be another successful season for us. We play indoor netball every Monday night at OZ Sports Paramatta Road, Underwood. If the venue is too far away OZ Sports also has a centre at lang Park so we can also arrange a team there if more convenient.

However, we are looking to start up another team for the new season. Remember we are not professionals so don't be afraid to contact either Jenny or myself if you are interested in joining the team. So girls, get together with your friends and join the Gospyan Netball Team.

I would also like to start up a mixed netball team for guys and girls on Friday nights. Yes, guys can play netball too. This recently discovered idea is becoming more popular throughout social sport and is proven to be highly competitive. No guys, it does not mean you have to wear a short skirt?! Seriously I think a lot of you will enjoy this and would find it more suprising than what you imagine.

Girls, this time it is your turn to show your stuff. If you are interested in joining a girls basketball team, please contact Peter Deliboltas.

As you can probably gather Gospya is looking at increasing the level of sport within the youth. Not only is it competitive, challanging and fun in fitness but very social which brings to mind the annual awards night. It is a great opportunity to speak to players of our teams to find out more about our sport. This award night is to show recognition to our competitors for their efforts during the year



Winners of the 1991
winter season Grand Final.
GOSPYA

MIMI STATHIS
KATHY VLAKOS

GOSPYA SPORTS REPORT

BASKETBALL:

The Gospya Basketball team has commenced their last season for this year in the Brisbane Basketball Inc. Mens 3 Competition. This year the team has not performed as well as they would have expected. However, there have been many injuries during the season which have caused a great instability in the team.

With their last season upon them they have started with the aim of making the semi-finals, and hopefully making the grand final if possible.

Below is a time-table of games for any spectators who would like to go and see the team play.

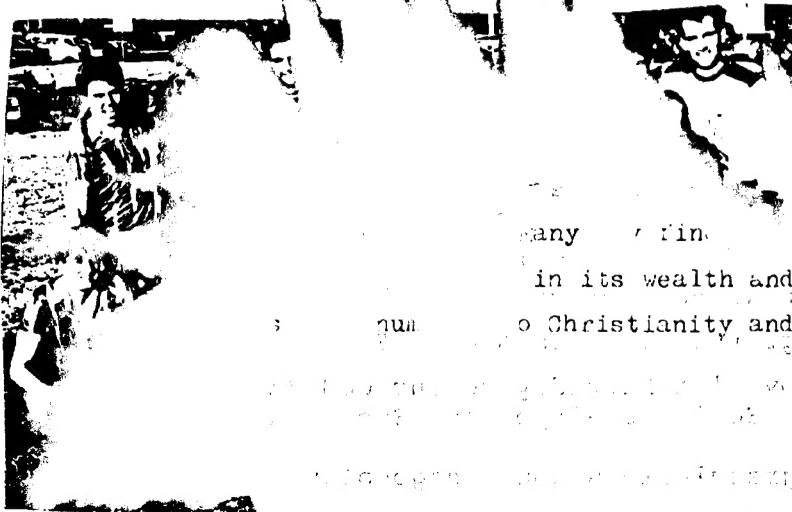
BASKETBALL TIMETABLE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
24th NOVEMBER	8.15pm
1ST DECEMBER	9.05pm
8TH DECEMBER	4.05pm

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Girls, looking for an interesting sport? Competition? Fun? Excitement? Well just the thing for you is Basketball!!!!!! Please contact Peter Deliballitis on 3457425 (even if it's not about basketball/./,..'82=--) or Jenny Sclavos on 3431948. or Sophia Hadgis on 8778691wk. We'll keep you posted of when where how and why.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOAL KEEPER WELL DONE!!!!!!!!!!!!



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Comparative Car Guide

Nissan EXA vs. 1965 Valiant

	EXA	1965 Valiant
Engine	2-litre modified Victoria engine with optional ripcord, comes standard with TS ("Guaranteed to Start")	404 Chevy with slotted heads, steer-o-matic, twin overhead chrome molyheadbangers with throttle body injection and die-cast aluminium sintered sump plug.
Specs	Able to circumnavigate the Queen Street Mall in 19 minutes (with elbow sticking out of window) or 5 minutes with elbow in. Add 3 minutes for hair combing and 5 minutes for extra power drain when stereo turned on.	Brisbane to Gold Coast in 15 minutes (16 minutes with mum, dad and the kids on board, including kitchen and other picnic necessities; 17 minutes with grandmother stopping at eklissia on the way to light a candle).
Strength	Able to squash a toad when going down a steep hill, with a good runoff, favourable tailwind, extra weight in the back and rubber bands wound extra-tight.	Leaves a trail of assorted flattened objects; Chassis design has a top-level security classification and is fiercely protected by ASIO.
Accommodation	Double-width bubble roof to accommodate inflated egos. Triple-sized glovebox for mirrors, hairspray, hairbrushes and gold chains.	Kitchen-equipped boot for convenient placement of mother and grandmother. Extra tie-down straps on roofrack to ensure safety of girlfriend.
Extras	10% discount at Pioneer Concrete Readymix Makeup Centre and Sam the Lawnmower Man Hair salons. External speakers so that people on the outside hear what you want them to hear. (Internal speakers not required, because driver is usually deaf by now anyhow). Complimentary voucher for fuzzy dice and Garfield.	Seats and Steering wheel. Extra shoes for braking.
Wheel-spinning Capability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Single star i.e. pathetic - only possible when front wheels jacked up. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can spin wheels even with motor turned off.
Chick-pulling rating	****	•
Chick Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (You could do better at Cofeen Cockerel) 	****
Economy	5km per release of bladder fluid, following intoxication after a heavy night out.	Not applicable, since carries fuel reserve in tank strapped to trailer behind.
Colours	Putrid pink, Yucky Yellow, Ridiculous Red, Gunky Green and Snotty Silver	Purple.
Price	Buy 3 Big Macs and 2 fries, keep the vouchers and get one free.	Collector's item, considered priceless.

Καγιά

Ελένη's



Kitchen



Koulourakia

(Butter Biscuits)

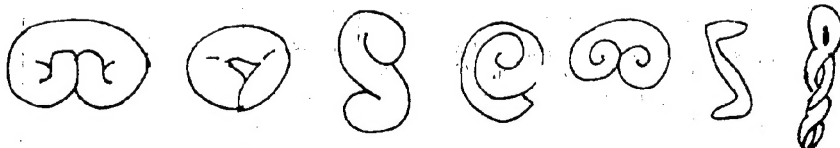
250 g butter
1 1/4 cups sugar
100 ml milk (at room
temperature)
4 eggs
vanilla essence
1 kg S.R. flour
sesame seeds

Melt butter very gently so that it does not bubble or take on any colour. Place sugar in a bowl and pour on the melted butter. While stirring these with a wooden spoon, add vanilla and eggs, beating well after each addition. Continue beating with wooden spoon and add milk gradually. Add flour, little by little, and as mixture thickens, mix by hand. Make sure the flour is absorbed before adding any more. The dough is ready when it is soft and pliable but not too stiff. Knead heavily on a board for about five minutes.

To shape, take a small piece of dough, roll it between palms of hands or on a board, till it is about 7 mm thick and about 5 cm long. Roll into sesame seeds. Twist both ends slightly in opposite directions to form an elongated S. Place on biscuit slide and brush with beaten egg. Bake in 350°F or 175°C oven on lower shelf for 10 - 15 minutes and then on upper shelf for a further 10 minutes or till they are a good brown colour.

Watchpoint: To ensure that the biscuits are crispy, the dough must always be rolled no thicker than that described above. For a more complicated shape, the roll should be even thinner.

Some suggested shapes:



GOSPYA Calendar

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

18 NOV EMBER	19	20	21	22 GOSP HALL FELLOWSHIP BOWLING 7.30	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 DEC- EMBER
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Boat Cruise
9	10	11 Trivia Night	12	13	14	15 Toga Pool Party
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Kalanta	25 Christmas day	26 Combined Youth Fancy Dress	27	28	29